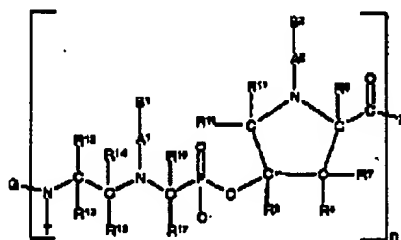


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# ABSTRACT

Compounds are described and claimed comprising general formula:



The compounds have substituents as described herein and are useful, e.g., for their ability to bind nucleic acids and thereby effect purifications, probing techniques and gene inhibition.